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JUSTIFICATION

This mission is in response to the USIB requirement for high resolution photographic coverage of COMIREX priority targets in North Vietnam. Specifically, the OXCART aircraft is to cover those areas of North Vietnam which, because of surface-to-air missile defenses, cannot be covered adequately by other means. The 303 Committee has approved  BLACK SHIELD missions per month.

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COMIREX targets

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Cac Ba Coastal Defense Site  
Haiphong/Cat Bi Airfield  
Haiphong/Kien An Airfield  
Hanoi/Bac Mai Airfield  
Hanoi/Gia Lam Airfield  
Phuc Yen Airfield  
Lang Son Airfield  
Kep Airfield  
Yen Bai Suspect A/F U/C  
Hoa Lac Airfield U/C  
Bai Thuong Airfield  
Port Wallut Naval Base  
Haiphong Port Complex  
Cam Pha Port Facilities  
Hon Gay Port Facilities  
Ha Tou Naval Support Facility  
Vinh/Ben Thuy Port Facilities  
Ha Giang Military Installation  
Van Hai Army Barracks  
Lang Son Military Complex  
Loc Binh Army Supply Depot  
Thai Nguyen Army Supply Depot, North  
Bac Kan Military Area  
Phu Lang Thuong Military Area  
Uit Thu Lu Special Area 1912  
Ban Tchepone Special Area 1916  
Ba Binh Special Area 2009  
Ben Than Special Area 2013  
Vinh An Special Area 2014  
Hanoi-Lao Cai RR, Segment 2  
Hanoi-Lao Cai RR, Segment 1  
Hanoi-Lao Cai RR, Segment 3  
Hanoi-Ping Hsiang RR, Segment 2  
Hanoi-Ping Hsiang RR, Segment 1  
Hanoi-Ping Hsiang RR, Segment 3  
Hanoi-Lao Cai RR, Segment 4  
Hanoi-Lao Cai RR, Segment 5  
Kep to Than Nguyen RR  
Dong Dang Complex  
Phu Lang Thuong Complex  
Cao Bang Complex  
Lai Chau Complex  
Lang Son Complex  
Mon Cay Complex  
Tien Yen Complex  
Tuyen Quang Complex  
Yen Bai Complex  
Dien Bien Phu Complex  
Kep Complex  
Lao Kay Complex  
Haiphong RR Yards  
Viet Tri RR Yards  
Yen Vien (Hanoi) RR Yards

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ROUTE ☐ TARGET COVERAGE

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Route ☐ is an option mission. Targets to be covered are listed below and are shown by option pass number.

OPTION A  
1st Pass

OPTION B  
1st Pass

OPTION A  
2nd Pass

OPTION B  
2nd Pass

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**VULNERABILITY ESTIMATE**

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A total of [ ] surface-to-air missile launch positions have been detected in North Vietnam; of this number [ ] are known to be capable of supporting surface-to-air operations. The firing organization, however, is estimated to be 28 to 30 battalions. They are largely concentrated in the Hanoi, Haiphong, Thanh Hoa, and Yen Bai areas. The

[ ]  
[ ] There are currently two to three MIG-21 jet interceptors stationed in North Vietnam.

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OPERATIONAL DATA

DISTANCE

:

TIME

:

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DENIED TIME

:

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ENTRY ALTITUDE

:

1st Pass  
2nd Pass

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SPEED

:

Mach

TAKE OFF

:

0220Z 30 October 1967  
2120 Washington, DC Time 29 October

The following routes have been selected for this mission:

1ST PASS  
Route A

2ND PASS  
Route A

In the event weather conditions are such as to prevent these routes to be flown, other option routes on file would be substituted.

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This OXCART mission as planned herein is approved.

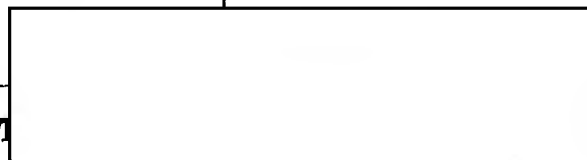


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